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Event Spotlight:

**22nd Annual Don
Carlos Awards
November 1, 2006
5 p.m.**

**AZ Historical
Museum - Tempe**



**Tooling Up For the Holidays
December 5, 2006
Tempe ACE Hardware
Tempe**

NONPROFITS SERVING TEMPE

There is new evidence to document the service of local nonprofits to help Tempe residents.

With the help and support of Valley of the Sun United Way, the EC Fund online application system was pioneered last year for nonprofit agencies seeking City of Tempe funding.

EC Fund allows nonprofits to submit their application entirely online where the information is available for volunteers and staff to review.

A significant additional benefit is the electronic data available from EC Fund to help track and analyze the services provided by the nonprofits being funded by the City.

Numbers Served - Each year, applying agencies provide numbers of Tempe residents served the previous year. Totals of numbers served during 2004-05 are:

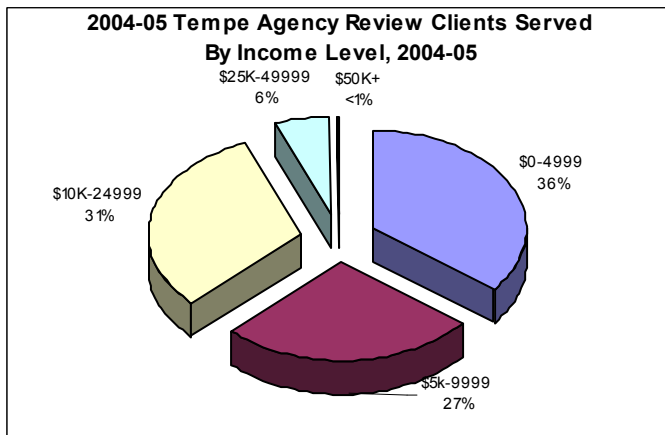


Summary EC Fund Demographics - No. Served	Tempe 04-05
TOTAL # SERVED (NOT UNDUPLICATED)	76,364
AVERAGE PER PROGRAM (58 total programs)	1,317
HIGH (food service program)	44,542
LOW (housing program)	4
MEDIAN (counseling & social service program)	78

NONPROFITS SERVING TEMPE (Continued)

It is important to remember that the numbers served are not necessarily unduplicated. For instance, the numbers cited in the food service program are very likely duplicated—the same family might get help with food several times during the year. The numbers in the housing program are likely not duplicated within that program; however, those same people may have received service from the food service program or another one of the nonprofits during the year.

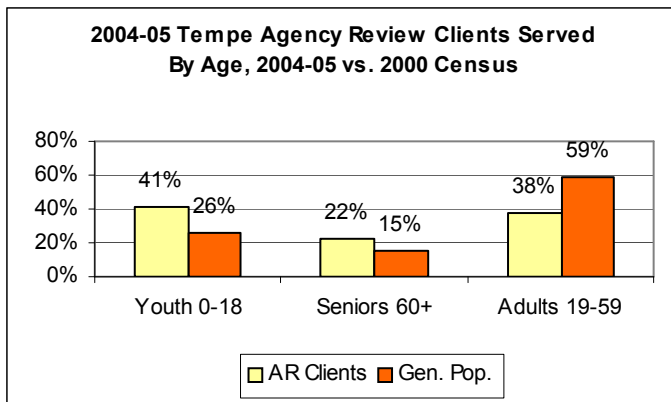
Income Level — Those served in 2004-05 fell into the following income levels:



- Almost 2/3 of Tempe clients (63%) earn less than \$10,000 per year.
- An additional 30% of Tempe clients make less than \$25,000 per year.

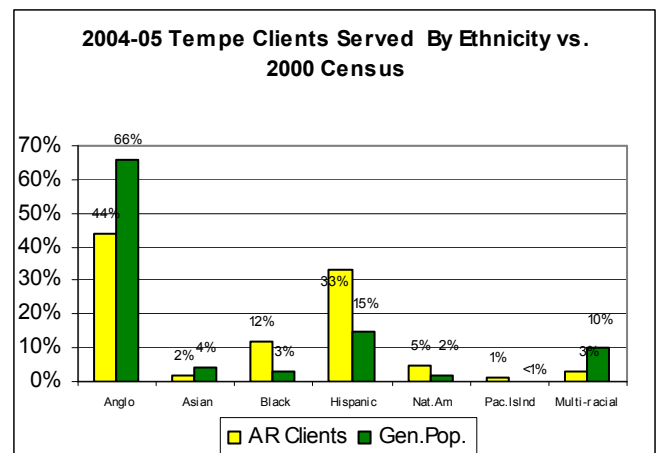
For those same categories in the 2000 Census, **30%** of the general Tempe population made less than \$25,000 per year compared to the **93%** of the non-profit clients.

Age Levels - Ages for those served in 2004-05 were:



From the comparison with the general Tempe population, we see that greater proportions of *youth* and *aging* are being served among the client population, reflecting their special needs.

Ethnicity - Ethnicity for the clients served are shown in the chart below, compared with the same ethnic groups for the general Tempe population.



In general, minority populations are represented in greater proportion among the non-profit clients than in the general Tempe population: Non-Anglos are **64%** of the client population and **34%** of the general Tempe population. It may be related that minority populations are more likely to be among low income groups than are Anglos.

BOTTOM LINE

The City of Tempe has a powerful partnership with the nonprofits it funds. The new numbers from the EC Fund show that those most in need are those primarily benefiting from the City funding.

*For additional information,
contact TCC or visit our website:
www.tempe.gov/tcc.*

AGENCY SPOTLIGHT

The United Food Bank has been serving the East Valley since 1983 by collecting, purchasing and distributing food to non-profit and faith-based charities. The food collected and sorted through this agency serves as the back-bone to many “safety-net” organizations including Tempe’s Salvation Army and Tempe Community Action Agency.



The City of Tempe is supporting the Food Link program which collects, acquires, inspects, sorts, packages and stores large volumes of food for their partner agencies.

The collect food that is nutritious, like canned protein (tuna and other meats), vegetables and fruit. In FY 2004/2005, the United Food Bank provided 794,423 pounds of food or 611,094 meals and anticipated a growth in that number of 10% in FY 2005/2006 to approximately 850,000 pounds of food or 653,846 meals (1,791 meals every day of the year). In FY 2004/2005, 44,542 food boxes were distributed to individuals in Tempe – and that number is anticipated to rise.

In addition to City of Tempe Funding, the Tempe Empty Bowls event also provides support the United Food Bank’s Kid’s Café program which helps guarantee that all children can learn without an empty stomach. Hosted by over two days each February by the Tempe Community Council, the United Food Bank, volunteers from the faith community and Whole Foods, Empty Bowls has local artists and school art programs hand craft bowls that are then sold with a bowl of soup and water representing the total daily caloric intake for many hungry.

To learn how you can start a food drive in your neighborhood or business, to learn more about the Tempe Empty Bowls event, or to learn more about the other great agencies that help in Tempe – please visit Tempe Community Council’s website at www.tempe.gov/tcc.

CINDERELLA AFFAIR RECEIVES AWARD

The Cinderella Affair was recognized in August with the 2006 Partnership Award from the Arizona Parks and Recreation Association.



Established in 2002, The Cinderella Affair is an all-volunteer program of Tempe Community Council. The program was initiated by *Cheryl Hornyman*, a staff member of TCC and *Gloria Fox*, along with their daughters, *Holly and Kate Hornyman* and *Megan and Samantha Fox*. The mission of this program is to make attending prom affordable to all Phoenix-area high school junior and senior students by collecting and distributing gently used formal wear and providing tuxedo rentals.

The project was recognized for its effective partnerships with the City of Tempe Parks and Recreation Department, East Valley Women’s League and several local businesses. The City currently provides storage space for the more than 2,000 formal donated dresses. Each March at Pyle Adult Recreation Center, volunteers help girls select just the right dress and accessories. *The Needlewielders* offer on-the-spot alterations. *Western States Dry Cleaning and Launderers Association* provides free dry cleaning once a dress is selected. In 2004, *Mr. Formal* began providing up to 50 tuxedo rentals to male students needing prom attire. The *United Phoenix Firefighters Charities* and *Tempe Diablos* financially support the effort.

During last year’s prom season, students from 43 high schools in the valley were helped, including public, private and charter, as well as schools in Florence and Prescott. **Congratulations to all!**

*For additional information,
contact TCC or visit
www.CinderellaAffair.org:*

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



As discussed in the last issue of Network, TCC has made a commitment to grow the **Tempe Community Foundation**, toward bringing new and permanent resources to benefit Tempe. The Tempe Community Foundation is established under the umbrella of the AZ Community Foundation (ACF) and has assets currently of about \$123,000. The annual interest of about \$5,000 has been added to the Agency Review funds for recommended distribution to nonprofits applying for City of Tempe funding. Imagine, if you will, how say some \$10 million in assets would make \$500,000 available to meet more needs in Tempe.

The TCC Board has established two ad hoc committees to work on the goal of growing the foundation. The first is the *Signature Event Committee*, chaired by board member **Sandra McClelland**, who are planning a major event for 2007 to raise community awareness and to infuse money into the foundation. The long-term focus for growing the foundation assets will be to welcome bequests, memorials, insurance policies and other endowments.

The second committee is the *Foundation Planning Committee*, chaired by board member **Lance Cybert**. That committee is reviewing the philanthropy capacity data from ACF, developing promotional material and policy and procedure for the long term. Another most important task will be to consult with the key stakeholders in the community foundation - the City, local nonprofits, United Way and community residents.

The "growth goal" will not happen overnight - but, it won't happen at all without consistent and long-term effort and your support!

TCC STAFF CHANGES

TCC sadly said goodbye in August to Management Assistant and Acting Assistant Director **Martha Cronin** who is moving to the Boston area. She furthered several programs during her eight years with TCC including working with the Tempe Commission on Disability Concerns, Empty Bowls, Shared Living Village and as editor of this newsletter.



TCC Events Coordinator **Cheryl Hornyman** was promoted the Management Assistant position. She began her association with TCC as founder of the Cinderella Affair, which she still manages, and later turned her ability with events into an ongoing job with TCC.

Rose Pinson, long-time Accounting Manager for TCC also said good bye in August. Rose supported TCC during a period of financial growth and stability. **Kathy Nugent** has assumed that position.

And lastly, our new Executive Assistant is **Caterina Mena** who was promoted to this newly structured position from Administrative Assistant.



Tempe as a whole has a 50% home ownership rate. Neighborhoods in North Tempe have the lowest home ownership rates, 14 - 50%. South Tempe has the highest home ownership rates at almost 95%. Two other neighborhoods with ownership rates over 55% are Lower Central Tempe at 74% and Victory Acres at 75%. Trends in Tempe Homebuying: An Analysis of HMDA Data 1992-2002 NewTown Community Development Corporation 2004.

Population News

300 MILLION IN THE USA

The U.S. population will hit *300 million* in 2006.



The U.S. Census Bureau has issued these comparisons with the year we hit 200 million (1967) and the year we hit 100 million (1915).

President

2006: George W. Bush
1967: Lyndon B. Johnson
1915: Woodrow Wilson

Price of a new home

2006: \$290,600
1967: \$24,600 (\$149,147 in 2006 dollars)
1915: \$3,200 (\$64,158 in 2006 dollars)

Cost for a gallon of regular gas

2006: \$3.04 (as of Aug. 7)
1967: 33 cents (\$2.00 in 2006 dollars)
1915: 25 cents (\$5.01 in 2006 dollars)

Price of milk

2006: \$3.00 gallon
1967: \$1.03 gallon (\$6.24 in 2006 dollars)
1915: \$.36 gallon (\$7.22 in 2006 dollars)

Cost of a first-class stamp

2006: 39 cents
1967: 5 cents
1915: 2 cents

World Population

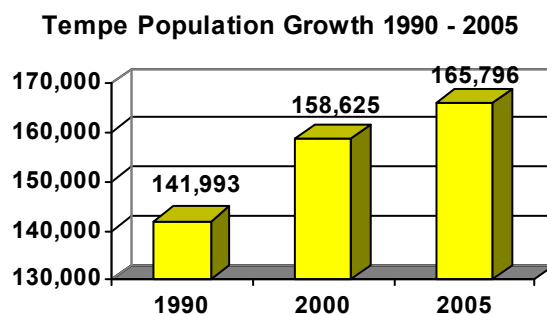
2006: 6.5 billion
1967: 3.5 billion
1915: 1.8 billion

about 5 million. Compared nationally, Arizona would rank *second* in percentage of growth, with Nevada being first at 114%. The U.S. as a whole is projected to grow by 29% to a population of 363 million. The state that is projected to grow the *least*, percentage-wise, is North Dakota, perhaps to shrink by 5.5% and lose some 138,000 in population.

California (at 46 million), Texas (at 33 million), Florida (at 28 million) and New York (at 19 million) could continue to be the top four states in number of people. Wyoming, also projected to lose population by 2030, would rank last in number with about 433,000 people.

TEMPE GROWS BY 4.5%

Population estimates from the 2005 Census showed Tempe growing by 7,171 persons or 4.5% over the 2000 population of 158,625 (see chart below).



From 1990 to 2000, Tempe added 11.7% more people (plus 16,632).

In contrast, Maricopa County as a whole added over 628,000 people in the five years since 2000, representing over 20% increase. The County as a whole now numbers over 3.7 million.

FIVE MILLION MORE IN ARIZONA

Arizona is projected by the Census Bureau to have over 5 million more people by the year 2030, a 109% increase over the 2000 population of



COMMENT

Tempe has made a commitment to *Quality of Life* rather than to unending growth. So far, so good!



COMMUNITY NEWS

ABC AND H2O

Our neighbor to the East, the City of Mesa, reminds us about their utility bill donation program, *A Better Community (ABC)*. Residents of Mesa may donate to ABC either monthly or remit a donation with their utility payment. The program is similar to Tempe's *Help to Others (H2O)* program.



Lisa Wilson of the Mesa Human Services Office says that over a million dollars has been donated so far, 100% going to help Mesa's low-income residents, at-risk children, the elderly and the disabled.

If you haven't been donating to *your* local program, we hope you will begin *now*.

PROJECT HOPE

The Tempe City Council in July authorized a new pilot outreach program to homeless in Tempe called, Homeless Program Outreach Effort (HOPE). The outreach program will be located in the city leased offices at 660 S. Mill Ave. and will utilize the City's Homeless Coordinator, Theresa James, and two part-time outreach specialists. A total budget of \$50,000 is proposed for the year-long pilot program. The data collected during the pilot program will determine the project's future.



The City has deliberated on the next best step to help its homeless population since the Homeless Task Force made its report through TCC in 2000. Program goals for Project HOPE include:

- ✦ Provide a hotline for concerns about homeless individuals;
- ✦ Repeatedly offer homeless assistance where they congregate;
- ✦ Provide referrals, advocacy and transportation to services to the homeless;

- ✦ Respond to and follow-up on requests for service from Tempe residents, Tempe Police Department and other emergency responders, social service agencies, the business community and the faith community;
- ✦ Meet with homeless service providers on a weekly basis to facilitate needed services.

Call Theresa James at 480-858-2360 for more information.

OUR "IN-KIND" HEROS

TCC would like to say a special **THANKS** to all those who helped us this year with in-kind donations (i.e., non-cash):



- ✦ **CITY OF TEMPE** - too many to detail here!
- ✦ **D.W. GREEN CO.** - TCC and Cinderella Affair brochures
- ✦ **AZ CUSTOM BROKERS** - Cinderella Affair
- ✦ **AZ RATTLERS, ASU, POINTE SOUTH MOUNTAIN, & SHALIMAR COUNTRY CLUB- CIS**
- ✦ **HEIDI'S CATERING, TABLE TOPS, ETC, HENSLEY & CO., ALLIANCE BEVERAGE & TEMPE SCHOOLS CU** - Don Carlos
- ✦ **COOKIES FROM HOME** - EITC
- ✦ **WHOLE FOODS MARKET, LENATURE, MARJON CERAMICS & PAYMENTECH MERCHANT** - Empty Bowls



Fast Facts

The 2004 MAG Street Count found 598 homeless on the streets in the East Valley, of which 193 (32%) were observed in Tempe. Maricopa Association of Governments Homeless Street Count 2004.

TCC PROJECTS

MILK AND COOKIES FOR OPEN HORIZONS

On Thursday, September 21st Tempe Community Council hosted a "Milk & Cookies Reception" to welcome Early Head Start to the Westside Multigenerational Center. Early Head Start is the newest collaborator in the **Open Horizons Teen Parenting Scholarship** program, which provides childcare during school hours so teen parents can complete their high school education.

Guests were asked to bring diapers to benefit the teen parents and their children. Shown below, Standing by a pile of those "proceeds" are some of those attending (l. to r.): Councilmembers *Shana Ellis* and *Onnie Shekerjian*; TCC Board member *Kathy Stevens*; Councilmember *Mark Mitchell*; City of Tempe Community Relations Manager, *Shelley Hearn*; and Councilmember *Barb Carter*.



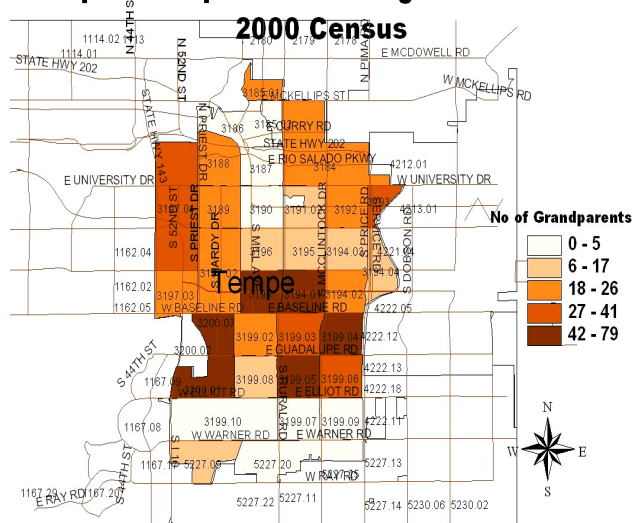
Now in their 17th year, Open Horizons has an overall 6% drop out rate (none for the past several years) for the 472 high school students served by the program over that period.. Nationally, 70% of teen parents will eventually drop out of school.

Sponsors of this event included the *Arizona Milk Producers Association*, *Cookies from Home* and the *Phoenix Flower Shop*. **THANKS!**

KINSHIP CARE - TCC and the City of Tempe are partnering in a fact-finding project to determine the needs for help for those in the Tempe area who provide kinship care to someone in their family.

The need for such support first arose with the information about the growing numbers of grandparents who are responsible for raising their grandchildren. The 2000 Census found 873 such grandparents in Tempe. The map below shows where they lived in the City.

Tempe Grandparents Raising Grandchildren



The term "kinship care" evolved later when we found that other family members such as aunts also had taken on the unexpected task. Through a grant from AZ Community Foundation, consultant **Karen Kurtz** is helping us find out the needs of those who provide kinship care and what we should do to meet those needs. Several focus groups were held last spring which provided a wealth of information. Needs ranged over custody, legal, school, medical and, of course, financial concerns. The input is being summarized to be shared with human service providers in Tempe toward developing a plan to help.

As one grandparent said, "Well, I can't retire now—but it is worth it!"

FALL 2006 CALENDAR

OCTOBER

- 4 TCC Board Meeting**
- 24 TCC Executive Committee Meeting**
- 25 East Valley Resource Committee (EVRC) Meeting (Mesa)**
- 30 City of Tempe Human Service & CDBG/HOME Funding Applications Due**
- 31 Halloween**

NOVEMBER

- 1 TCC Board Meeting**
- Don Carlos Awards
AZ Historical Museum**
- 13 Veterans Day Observed
(TCC Closed)**
- 14 Agency Review Volunteer Orientation & Training**
- 22 East Valley Resource Committee (EVRC) Meeting (Chandler)**
- TEAM Thanksgiving Service**
- 23-24 Thanksgiving Holiday
(TCC Closed)**
- 28 TCC Executive Committee Meeting**

DECEMBER

- 5 Ace Hardware "Tooling Up for the Holidays"**
- 6 TCC Board Meeting**
- 25 Christmas Holiday
(TCC Closed)**

For confirmation and further details of meetings and events listed above, please call (480) 858-2300



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